

Dodge County
Land Conservation Committee Meeting Minutes
127 East Oak Street
Juneau, WI 53039
June 27, 2016

The Dodge County Land Conservation Committee (LCC) met on June 27, 2016 beginning at 8:30 AM in Room 3A of the Dodge County Administration Building.

Call to Order: This meeting was called to order by Chair Larry Bischoff at 8:30 AM with the following members present: Larry Bischoff, William Foley, Bill Muche, Allen Behl, Lisa Derr, Dale Macheel. (Gerry Adelmeyer was absent)

Other Dodge County Board Members, Dodge County Staff and Agency Advisors Present: Marc Bethke, County Conservationist; John Bohonek, Conservation Engineering Technician, Jim Miekke, County Administrator.

Others Present: Ruth Johnson, Lake Sinnissippi Improvement District; Bill Boettge, Beaver Dam Lake and Nonpoint Source Runoff Group; Kathy Turner, NRCS.

Approval of agenda and permit the Chair to deviate from agenda to efficiently conduct meeting: Motion by Behl to approve the agenda and to permit the Chair to deviate from the agenda to efficiently conduct the meeting; seconded by Foley. Motion carried.

Approval of minutes: Motion by Behl to approve the minutes of May 23, 2016 as sent by mail; seconded by Foley. Motion carried.

Public appearances/comments: Ruth Johnson said thank you to the county for allowing her to attend to southern area tour in Iowa County on June 22nd.

Agency Advisor Monthly Reports - There was no one present so no reports were made.

Review of bills and revenue: Marc Bethke reviewed bills and revenue as shown on the attached listing.

Consideration of new and revised conservation plans: There were no conservation plans for approving.

Manure Storage Ordinance Projects Status Report: John Bohonek gave the report on the status of new and revised construction plans under the county's manure storage ordinance.

Report from Nonpoint Runoff Work Group Meeting of June 8, 2016: Bill Boettge reported on different ideas and narrowed down to two ideas. They spoke about the overall goals including no "naked soils". The group took two action items to hold an educational seminar on February

15, 2017. They are with Loretta Ortiz-Ribbing who works as the UW-Extension crops and soils agent. Another sub-group of the nonpoint task force is seeking to start a farmer led group similar to "Yahara Pride". The will be meeting before July 13th, the next meeting of the nonpoint group. It will have a theme of healthy soil/clean water workshop. Some of the topics will include no till, manure, nitrogen and similar issues. The idea was to have the producers lead that discussion. Ruth added that it would be personalized to agriculture and clean water to be called the Dodge County Healthy Soil and Clean Water Workshop. There was a general discussion of funding.

Land & Water Resource Management Program Status Report: Marc Bethke reported on the status of projects under the 2016 Land & Water Resource Management Program. Three producers have signed cost share agreements for two well abandonments and one waterway. There is one cost share agreement waiting to be signed.

County Conservationist Monthly Report: Marc Bethke presented the monthly County Conservationist's Report. There was a well water testing explanation program for Leroy and Lomira residents with an explanation on June 14. Marc Bethke will provide a copy of the report to Lisa Derr. Please see the attached report.

Committee Member Reports: Bill Foley reported that Beaver Dam Lake Improvement Association is increasing testing around Beaver Dam Lake to determine primary sources of runoff. They are looking at a comprehensive plan for the Beaver Dam lake's watershed. Bill also presented a 25 minute CD from Wisconsin Land & Water Conservation Association. He also attended the Iowa County educational tour. Bill Muche brought up a land and water conservation association Committee Supervisors Handbook. Dale Macheel had a Fox Lake Inland Lake District Meeting on June 9th. Members are Kurt Hechle, Tim Meekma, Cheryl Witkowski, and Julie Flemming. They discussing maintaining their sewer system. Fox Lake has significant weeds this summer. There will be a meeting on August 10th at the Fox Lake Town Hall for a farmer moving toward a CAFO. Ruth Johnson reported for Lake Sinissippi Improvement District. They will have their annual meeting in August. She asked about a new bedrock map for the county. Marc said that he would look into getting on a list for a map for the county. One possible source is the Geological and Natural History Survey.

Correspondence: There was none to share.

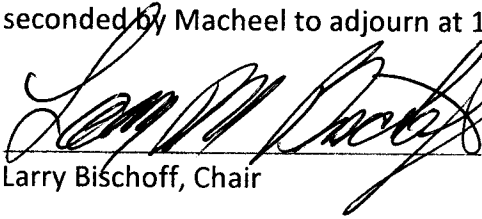
Per Diem: Motion by Macheel, seconded by Muche to approve the regular per diems, plus the following:

- Dale Mahcheel – Fox Lake Inland Lake District Meeting – June 9, 2016 – per diem and 22 miles.
- Larry Bischoff and Bill Foley – Southern Area Association Summer Tour in Iowa County on June 22, 2016; per diem for each and 235 miles for Bill Foley and 20 miles for Larry Bischoff.


Motion carried.

Next Meeting Date: Next meeting will be held on Monday, July 25, 2016 at 8:30 AM in Room 3A of the Dodge County Administration Building, 127 East Oak Street, Juneau, WI.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before this committee, motion by Derr, seconded by Macheel to adjourn at 10:30 AM. Motion carried.



Larry Bischoff, Chair



Lisa Derr, Secretary